Employees in ordnance factories

1558. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state;

(a) the total number of employees in ordnance factories of the country, as un the 31st March, 1989;

(b) what are the corresponding figures of these employees during 1985-86, 1986-87 and 1987-88;

(c) the value of production of goods manufactured in these factories during the last financial year; and

(d) the value of production of goods manufactured'in ordnance factories during 1985-86, 1986-87 and 1987-88?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI D. L. BAITHA): (a) to (d) The total number of employees in the Ordinance Factories during 1985-86 to. 1988-89, excluding Defence Security Corps (DSC) and trainees, and the value of production in Ordnance Factories during the same period, is as under:—

Year	Total No. of employees in the Ordnance Factories •as at the end of	Value of production in the Ordnance Factories
		(in Rs. crores)
1988-89 . . .	1,78,209	2200*
1987-88 .	1,79,412	1846
1986-87	1,81,763	1609
		1359

♦The value of production for 1988-89 is approximate, subject to finalisation of annual accounts.

Delivery of VPP articles and insured parcels

1559. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of VPP articles and insured registered parcels handled by the postal department during the last three years, circle-wise;

(b) the total earnings of postal depart-througji VPP articles and insured registered parcels during the same period, circle-wise: and

(c) the number of complaints received against non-delivery or late deliver* of VPP articles and registered insured parcels, during the same period, circle-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRi GIRIDHAR GOMANGO); (a) The information regarding total number of VPP articles and Insured Registered Parcels handled by the Postal Deptt, during 19S5-86, 1986-87 and " 1987.88—Circle wise is given in the Statement enclosed. *[See* Appenlix CLl, Annexure No. 102],

(b) Postal charges for VPP articles and insured regd. parcels are paid for in the shape of postage stamps. While information on Revenue earned through sale of postage stamps is- maintained, no information on the postage stamps used for different postal services is maintained.